

(MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER)

I have carefully looked into the proceedings to ascertain as to what words were uttered by the Minister and whether they were objectionable in any way. There are a number of rulings of this House as well as of the Parliament and other State Legislatures to the effect that making policy statements by Ministers outside the House when the House is in session would not be a breach of privilege but would be a breach of courtesy. In the instant case, the Minister has not made any policy statement to the Press. He has only requested the Chair to permit him to tell the Press what he wanted to say in reply to the criticisms made in the House in case he were not to be allowed to speak. These words of the Minister were uttered when there was a tense atmosphere and Members on both sides were getting up and speaking. I do not think that the words of the Minister are in any way objectionable and I therefore withhold my consent to the question of Privilege.

CALLING ATTENTION TO A MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

Sri S. R. BOMMAI (Kundgol).—Sir, it is very clear from the copy** of the reply given to me that it is *ex parte*, arbitrary and far from the truth and there is no assurance of an enquiry. I therefore refuse to call the attention of the Minister for Home and Municipal Administration.

Member's Representation

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಬಿ. ಜ್ವಾಲನಯ್ಯ (ಹಾಸನ).—ರೂಲ್ 49ರ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಒಂದು ನೋಟೀಸ್ ಕೊಟ್ಟು ಹಾಸನ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ ಅಭಾವ ಪ್ರದೇಶದ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಮಾನ್ಯ ರೆವಿನ್ಯೂ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು ಕೊಟ್ಟ ಉತ್ತರ ದಿಂದ ಉದ್ಭವಿಸಿದಂತಹ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಯನ್ನು ಚರ್ಚಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಅರ್ಥಗಂಟಿ ಕಾಲಾವಕಾಶ ಕೊಡಬೇಕೆಂದು ನೂಚನೆ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೆ. ಅದನ್ನು ಸೋಮವಾರ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಅವಕಾಶ ಕೊಡಬೇಕು.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—I will look into it.

BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 1968-69—DEMANDS FOR GRANTS—DEMAND No. 18

(Debate Continued)

ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ನಾಗರತ್ನಮ್ಮ ಹಿರೇಮಠ್ (ಗಾಂಧಿನಗರ).—ಮಾನ್ಯ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರೇ, ಅರೋಗ್ಯಸಚಿವರು ಮಂಡಿಸಿರುವ ಬೇಡಿಕೆಯನ್ನು ಅನುಮೋದಿಸುತ್ತಾ ಕೆಲವು ಸಲಹೆಗಳನ್ನು ಕೊಡಬೇಕೆಂದಿದ್ದೇನೆ.

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